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E.O. 11652: NA

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SUBJ: AID FOR AUB

1. NEW PRESIDENT OF AUB, DR. HAROLD HOELSCHER, IS RETURNING TO UNITED STATES JULY 7 FOR ABOUT A MONTH, DURING WHICH PERIOD HE WOULD LIKE TO CALL ON ATHERTON AND OTHER SENIOR DEPARTMENT OFFICIALS TO DISCUSS FUTURE OF AUB AND USG ROLE THEREIN. I DO NOT KNOW WHAT SCHEDULING PROBLEMS ARE BUT HOPE YOU WILL BE ABLE SET SOMETHING USEFUL UP FOR HIM WHEN HE COMES TO WASHINGTON. HE WILL BE IN TOUCH WITH NEA/ARN ON SUBJECT.

2. HOELSCHER HAS SUGGESTED THAT ONE POSSIBILITY FOR HELPING AUB IS TO ESTABLISH REGIONAL COMPUTER CENTER HERE ALONG MODEL OF ONE ESTABLISHED AT ASIAN INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY IN BANGKOK. EQUIPMENT FOR CENTER THERE WAS DONATED BY IBM, WHICH ALSO PROVIDED IBM STAFF, TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE AND SOFT WARE AND A NUMBER OF SCHOLARSHIPS EACH YEAR FOR STUDENTS TO BE TRAINED AT CENTER. USG CONTRIBUTED BUILDING. PARTICIPATION IN PROJECT TO SOME LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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EXTENT BY USG IS SINE QUA NON AS FAR AS IBM CONCERNED. IN CASE OF AUB, THERE IS BUILDING WHICH COULD BE MADE AVAILABLE. HOELSCHER ESTIMATES THAT REMODELING WOULD COST SOME \$400,000. HE BELIEVES THAT IF USG WOULD BE PREPARED TO FINANCE REMODELING, AND TO REQUEST ITS PARTICIPATION, IBM WOULD PROVIDE EQUIPMENT AND SCHOLARSHIPS AS IT DID IN BANGKOK. IDEA SOUNDS WORTH EXPLORING.

REQUEST YOU DISCUSS WITH AID TO SEE WHETHER THEY FEEL
THIS WOULD BE APPROPRIATE USE OF SOME OF NEXT YEAR'S
FUNDS. WE WILL ALSO DISCUSS WITH AID TEAM WHEN IT
ARRIVES.

3. FYI. AID PROJECT APPRAISAL REPORT ON THE AIT REGIONAL
CENTER WAS FILED BY OUR AID REP PRIOR TO DEPARTURE FROM
BANGKOK AND SHOULD BE AVAILABLE IN AID'S ASIA BUREAU AS
BACKGROUND ON WHAT AID REP CALLS QUOTE A VERY SUCCESSFUL
ENDEAVOR WITH GREAT POTENTIAL UNQUOTE. END FYI.
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